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P. W. STONE, Editor

Ever since our editorials regarding the "Trade at Home" propaganda appeared in these columns, the editor of The Mail has been approached by a number of farmers in the outlying districts complaining that there is no mutual reciprocity on the part of the merchants of the town to do their trading with the farmer, should the farmer do his trading with the merchant. In fact in some cases their complaints amount to actual antagonism, and indicate a most unhealthy condition of affairs in commercial life.

This antagonism and these complaints are surely indicative that the farmer is in many cases not inclined to do his trading at home if he can help it, and there appears to be reason in his argument.

The contention of the farmer is that should he bring a load of potatoes into town he must accept whatever offer the merchant quotes him irrespective of the price paid elsewhere, or else go peddling them around town, and frequently the merchants will not accept his product at all. One farmer asserts that merchants would rather send to Calgary for B. C. potatoes at a higher price and pay the freight back here, than purchase the local products.

Another farmer tells of bringing hogs to town and finding no market for them, and still another complains that for fresh eggs a very much lower price is offered in town than can be secured in Calgary for the same product, and the same way with vegetables grown here. In fact the general complaint of the farmer is "No market in Bassano for his products."

In these days all governments and farm institutions are preaching the gospel of mixed farming but in the face of such conditions alleged above, it is quite obvious that grain farming will continue to be the mainstay of this country until these market conditions are improved. It is most absurd to ask the farmer to raise perishable crops (which he cannot hold for any length of time) unless there is an immediate and ready market for the same, and so long as the farmer gets the ready cash for his products he will be as independent as a "pig on ice" as to where he does his trading.

The Mail does not know the troubles of the

merchants any more than it knows the troubles of the farmers. We do know, however, the troubles of a printing office, and they are many.

Anyway it seems to The Mail that there should be some "get together" plan among the merchants of the town, whereby nothing that a farmer brings to town could possibly be turned down, and whereby a respectable price could be paid for all his products.

The Mail is open for correspondence on this subject, but nothing of a personal or vindictive nature will be permitted. Our columns are open to both sides and everything will be given equal prominence.

"I'll get that bunch yet" was "Get rich quick Wallingford" Huntingford's parting shot before he left the town, referring of course to the sporting fraternity who put it all over him during his recent visit. That, of course, is another of his empty boasts such as he put up while here, but "Wallingford" will have to be a much more clever lawyer than he now pretends to be, before he can get ahead of Bassano sports or Bassano lawyers.

He may be smooth and he may be able to make people believe he is clever, but when it comes to delivering the goods he obviously is not there. His conduct of the case proves that quite conclusively.

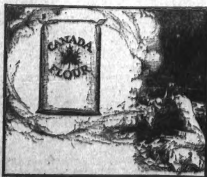
Now when it comes to "Getting the bunch," Wallingford had better be pretty well disguised, and he had better be quite sure the bunch don't see him first or they may "get him."

If Huntingford is a lawyer or a barrister, as he pretends to be (or says he is) the provincial government must be very hard put to it to pad its bank roll for the impending elections, and Huntingford must be very hard up for practice when he has to step down and out to take a fly cop's job for a living.

Fancy a government employing a barrister for a fly cop and asking him to act as detective, witness, prosecutor and lawyer, and at that we'll bet he doesn't get any more than an ordinary lawyer's fees for his services. Surely the provincial government is doing its best to lower the dignity of the profession by allowing an officer such as he is to run at large, picking up stool pigeons indiscriminately from among decent citizens.

PAY YOUR SUBSCRIPTION TO THE MAIL AND BE HAPPY

BELGIAN RELIEF



YOU CAN MAKE THIS VISION
A REALITY!

UNLESS we get more assistance, hundreds of thousands of the seven million people still in Belgium will actually starve.

H. HOOVER,

President, Committee for Relief in Belgium

A BAG OF FLOUR SUPPORTS
A BELGIAN FAMILY A MONTH

BELGIUM'S need is very great. Western Canada will surely help. The Belgian Relief Committee for Southern Alberta asks all those who feel sorry for that brave nation to assist in supporting its starving millions by a contribution of money. \$5.00 will maintain a Belgian family for several weeks. Western Canada is prosperous, safe, and happy in the midst of war; Belgium is shot-ridden, cold and hungry for Canada's sake.

DO NOT DELAY.

Send your subscription, large or small, to the

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Belgian Relief Committee
For Southern Alberta,
HERALD BUILDING, CALGARY

Buy an Irrigated Farm from The Canadian Pacific Railway.

BECAUSE: Irrigation makes the farmer independent of rainfall, and insures good crops, not occasionally, but EVERY YEAR.

Irrigation makes possible the successful culture of alfalfa, the king of feeders, which insures best returns in dairying and mixed farming.

Irrigation means intensive farming and close settlement, with all the advantages of a densely populated agricultural community.

Irrigation in the Canadian Pacific Railway Irrigation Block is no longer an experiment; the year 1914 having absolutely demonstrated its success wherever intelligently applied.

You can buy irrigated land from the Canadian Pacific Railway at prices ranging from \$35 to \$75 per acre, with twenty years to pay, and the privilege of a loan of \$2000 for improvements (4% interest) no principal payment at the end of first or second year and no water rental for first year. Assistance is also given in supplying stock in approved instances.

This is the most liberal offer of irrigated farm on record. Our call particulars from

ALLAN CAMERON, Gen. Supt. of Lands

Department of Natural Resources, C.P.R.

CALGARY, ALBERTA.

Mail Ads Pay

NOTICE!!

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March 6 to March 11 Inclusive

and will donate TEN PER CENT of the total cash sales for the week to the Bassano branch of the Canadian Patriotic Fund.

Come and help in the good cause.

THE PACIFIC COLD STORAGE CO.

James Simson Manager

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And a New Line of
GALT NUT COAL, Per Ton \$5.00
For Cook Stoves and Furnaces.

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Sole Agents for the celebrated Galt Coal

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HARRY FORD, Manager

**SYNOPSIS OF COAL MINING
REGULATIONS.**

COAL mining rights of the Dominion, in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, the Yukon Territories and a portion of the Province of British Columbia, may be leased for a term of twenty-one years at an annual rental of \$1 an acre, not more than 2,500 acres will be leased to one applicant.

Application for a lease must be made by the applicant in person to the Agent or Sub-Agent of the district in which the rights are applied for and in unreserved territory the land must be described by sections, or legal subdivisions of sections, and in unreserved territory the applicant must be

paid on the unreserved territory at the rate of five cents per ton.

The persons operating the mine shall furnish the Agent with sworn statements accounting for the full quantity of

coal mined and sold in each month.

The lease may be renewed for a further term of twenty-one years.

The lease may be terminated at any time by the Government.

The lease may be assigned to another person.

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**SYNOPSIS OF CANADIAN NORTH WEST
LAND REGULATIONS**

THE sole head of a family, or any male over 18 years old may homestead a quarter-section of available Dominion land in Manitoba, Saskatchewan or Alberta. Applicant must appear in person at the Dominion Lands Agency or Sub-Agent in the District. Entry by proxy conditions.

Land must be located in the Dominion Lands Agency (not not Sub-Agent) on certain conditions.

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M.D. Toronto; M.C.P.S. Alberta
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Service Day or Night
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Estimates Given Plans Prepared
Mill Work - Hip Sawing - Planing
Work promptly attended to
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Bassano, Alberta

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Services—11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.
Sunday School at 2:30 p.m.

CHURCH of THE BLESSED VIRGIN

Corner 5th Avenue and 5th Street
Service every Sunday at 7:30
Celebration of Holy Communion
1st Sunday in every month.
Rev. D.G. SCHORFIELD, M.A. Vicar



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No. 55

A. F. & A. M.

Meets Fourth Tuesday of each month.
Visiting Brethren always welcome.
JAS. JOHNSTON, W. M. GEO. H. TRAVIS, Sec.

BASSANO LODGE No. 59 I.O.O.F.



Meets every Thursday evening in the Masonic Hall. All members of the order are invited to visit with us.
JOHN CLYNE, M.C. J.W. ZWEDINGER, S.S.

FIRE ALARM CALLS.

Ward 1 (west of 4th St. and south of 4th Ave.)—Five bells, pause, then five more, etc.

Ward 2 (West of Fourth St. and north of Fourth Ave.)—Six bells.

Ward 3 (East of Fourth St. and South of 4th. ave.) Seven bells

Ward 4 (East of Fourth St. and North of Fourth Ave.)—Eight bells.

Practice Alarm—Three bells.

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BUILDER**

Estimates given free on all work.

DR. DE VAN'S FEMALE PILLS suitable

medicines for all female complaints. A box

of these pills will cure you. Sold by every

dr. in Canada. Price, 25c. per box. Sold by

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The Grocery House

QUALITY VALUE SERVICE

PHONE NO. 9

Apples! Apples!

Our Carload as advertised last week is going fast. We sold 180 cases last Saturday. Get supplied while they last, as apples are going to be very high.

SOUND and FIRM PACK
Per Case: \$1.50 and \$1.75

Strawberries, tomatoes, Lettuce, Cauliflower, Parsnips, Turnips, etc.

ORANGES: 25c per dozen, 4 dozen for 90c.
35c per dozen, 3 dozen for \$1.00.
50c. dozen, 2 dozens for 90c

Corn on Cob, 3's, 2 tins for 45c
" gallon, 65c
Corn Flakes, 3 for 25c
Roman Meal, 25c per package
Sugar 20 lb, \$1.70

Teas per lb, 40, 45 and 50c per pound.
Coffee, 25, 35, 3 for \$1.00, 40 and 45c per pound

It will soon be time to get your Spring supplies, we would ask you to read the prices in our ads.

FLOUR is DOWN 15c per sack. Our price will be on Royal Household Flour now \$3.30 per 98's. Good sack. One Week Only.

Produce Taken as Cash

McKee & Berry
"The Grocery House"

UNION BANK OF CANADA

With Cash in the Bank
You Can Buy to Advantage

You know how everything costs more when you have to buy on credit. Why not practice self-discipline for a while? If necessary, open a Savings Account in the Union Bank of Canada, and with the money in hand, buy at Cash prices? The discounts will help to swell your bank balance, and you will have made a good start towards financial independence.

BASSANO BRANCH

G. W. BOYD, Manager

Western Canada Flour Mills Co., Limited

Calgary, December 23rd, 1915

R. Philip Robinson, Esq.,
Crawfoot, Alta.

Dear Sir:

We are in receipt of your 3 samples of pedigreed oats and we have had these tested at our laboratory for their milling qualities, and we are pleased to state, Mr. Robinson, that they are of a very fine quality for milling purposes. Our chemist advises that these oats are worth a premium of from one half to one cent per bushel over any other 2-C. W. Oats which he has tested.

The management of the Western Canada Flour Mills Co. would like to see these oats used for seed in the Calgary district, whereby they can secure a supply of them for their cereal mill, as they feel satisfied that by paying this premium for this class of oats they would reap much better results than by buying the ordinary 2-C. W. oats.

Trusting you will be successful in distributing these oats among your neighbors in order that that this quality will be more plentiful, and would be very much pleased any time that you have any surplus of oats to offer if you would ask us for quotations on same.

Thanking you in advance for any business which we may receive from you in this connection, we are,

Yours Very Truly,

Western Canada Flour Mills Co., Ltd.
(sigs) Wm. McLean
Grain Department

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Catholic service will be held in Robinson's hall on Sunday morning at 10:30.

Nick Goryk, an Austrian in the employ of the C. P. R., was arrested the other day by Constable Gaman on a charge of attempted murder, and now he lies in the Mounted Police barracks awaiting trial. He is alleged to have attacked another Austrian, named Pete Kniurik, with an axe while sleeping in a room at Southesk in order to steal \$800 from him. The man assaulted was very severely injured, including a cracked skull.

Service of Holy Communion will be held at the Church of England on Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.

Rural Dean Rev. Canon Gale, rector of St. John's, East Calgary, spent a few days in town meeting the church wardens and vestry. He is very favorably impressed with the way the church is holding out in these hard times.

G. B. R. Bond was in Calgary on Monday on business for the town.

Chas. Wm. and Jas. Allen left on Thursday night for Idaho to visit with their sister for an indefinite period. It is surmised that Jimmy will return in a few weeks as there is much attraction here for him.

E. H. McCaugherty has received from his brother in France the noses of two German shells one of solid brass and the other a time shell mounted on it. Both are nicely mounted and are souvenirs of rare value.

The Women's Institute will meet on Friday afternoon of next week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Culbertson.

The introduction of co-operative methods in marketing has proved one of the greatest stepping stones to greater profits from farm produce. During the past three years the Live Stock branch of the Dominion Department of Agriculture has been organizing co-operative associations in the western provinces, a number of co-operative egg and poultry associations which carry on this work. The need and opportunity for similar work in the western provinces has, for some time past, been recognized, and in the fall of last year Mr. T. A. Benson was detailed to this work in Alberta with headquarters at Edmonton.

Mr. Benson has been associated with the co-operative work of the Live Stock branch since its inception, and to his activities is largely due the successful organization, on a co-operative basis, of the egg and poultry industry in Prince Edward Island. In all there are between fifty and sixty associations in that province, which last year marketed eggs to the value of over \$175,000. In addition to his experience in co-operative work Mr. Benson is a practical poultry man.

Already considerable progress has been made in Alberta and a number of marketing associations formed. So far as possible, the organization of these is arranged at open meetings held under the auspices of such bodies as the Women's Institute, Creamery Associations, Farmers Associations and Poultry Associations organized for this work will have a distinctly separate identity. Further, the associations are governed by directors elected from the farmers or bona fide poultry producers who may become members of the associations.

Each and all organizations are governed by a constitution, by-law, rules and regulations similar to those in force in the co-operative associations already organized in the eastern provinces.

To such districts in Alberta where a number of farmers find they require the

assistance such co-operative movements provide, special consideration will be given. Any who desire to form an association for this purpose should write to Mr. Benson, Alberta representative, Poultry Division, Dominion Live Stock branch, Edmonton, or direct to the Assistant Live Stock Commissioner, Department of Agriculture, Ottawa, when all possible consideration will be given their requests.

FOR SALE

Two hundred and twenty egg (Hatch incubatory) one 50 egg Cyprian incubator, also good 4-room shack, one bone cutter and small chicken house.

Apply H. Brimble, Bassano.

FAT'S QUICK LUNCH

TURKEY AT ALL HOURS
Fruits, Candy, Ice Cream, Etc.
Greens in Season
MEALS 25c. up

WON GEE, Manager
Phone 13
BASSANO, ALBERTA

AUCTION SALES

COL. O. T. GOFF,

Auctioneer
STARVATION RANCH
Dry Sales anywhere in Alberta.
The man that never says anything

LOST

On the streets of Bassano, a sum of money. Will render kindly have same at The Mail office.

NOTICE OF JUDICIAL SALE

Pursuant to an order nisi and final order for sale in an action in the Supreme Court of Alberta, Judicial District of Bassano, numbered S. C. 8016, there will be offered for sale with the approval of the Master in Chambers, by O.T. Goff, Auctioneer, at the Post office at Brooks, Saskatchewan, on Saturday, the 25th day of March, 1916, at the hour of 12 o'clock noon, the following lands and premises, namely:

The south-west quarter of section 2, the east half of section 3 and the east half of section 10, all in township 14, range 15, west of the 4th meridian, in the Province of Alberta; running into His Majesty, all miles and minerals.

The vendor is informed that: This land is situated about two miles from Pandora Post office; about twenty miles from Millcroft and about thirty miles from Brooks. There is a public school about two miles distant. The land for the most part is suitable for cultivation and the growing of the common grain and root crops. Berry Creek runs through a portion of the premises. Upon the southeast quarter of the said section 3 there is situated a house about 12' x 24 feet, 13' x 24 feet, a barn built of frame, 28 x 64 feet; a blacksmith shop, extensive corrals and other outbuildings. There is about five miles of two or three strand barbed wire fencing on the premises. 120 acres of the land have been cultivated and were cropped during the year 1915.

10 per cent of the purchase price in cash at the time of sale; 10 per cent within 60 days after sale without interest; 20 per cent in one year; 25 per cent in two years and 25 per cent in three years with interest at 5 per cent.

For further particulars apply to Messrs. Sielt, Ross, Selwood Shaw & Mayhew, Imperial Bank Building, Calgary, Alberta, Solicitors for the plaintiff.

Approved:
L. F. CLARK, LAWYER, J. CLARK,
M. C. Clerk of the Court

THE LATEST DESIGN in CORSETS

The SUPERBONE \$4.00 Pair, All Styles

THE FAMOUS D & A CORSETS \$1.25

A HIGH GRADE CORSET \$2.50



4000

Young Girl's CORSET WAISTS 90c

Brassiers Good Shape 75c

HENDRY & JOHNSON, The Quality Store

The Rexall Stores
CANADA'S FAVORITE DRUG STORES

DON'T COUGH

Stop it at Our Risk

Why do we guarantee Rexall Cherry Bark Cough Syrup to give satisfaction and comfort in every case, or money back?

Because we feel it will do just that—because we have the most implicit faith in it, after having had the opportunity to observe hundreds of cases in which it has given the most gratifying results—because we want you to have that faith in it also—because we feel that if any remedy you take on our recommendation does not give satisfaction we are in duty bound to refund the money. This the wholesaler is a nutshell.

Very Agreeable to the Taste

Sold only at the Rexall Store, 50c and \$1.00

STILES, The Druggist

BASSANO ---and--- JENNER

WE ARE HERE TO SERVE YOU

Bow Valley Harness Shop

Pierce & Currie, Proprietors

Having taken over the stock and good will of the Bassano Harness Shop, which has been moved into the store next Pierce Bros' Hardware Store, we are now prepared to furnish all kinds of Harness and Leather Goods for Spring work.

Repairs! Repairs!

Repairs of all kinds in the Leather line done neatly and with dispatch, as we have a competent harness maker right on the job all the time.

Bring all your repairs before the busy season, and be ready when Spring opens.

Gem Theatre

One Night Only Wednesday March 8th

Eugene Walter's Dramatic Success

"FINE FEATHERS"

All Star Cast; Special Scenes

Presented by the United Producing Co, who gave you "Within the Law." A Guaranteed Attraction. Don't miss it.

Prices \$1.00 Reserved, General Admission

75 cents, Children 25 cents

Seats on Sale at Stiles' Drug Store

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